

Supporting Information

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From Chemical Gardens to Fuel Cells: Generation of Electrical Potential and Current Across Self-Assembling Iron Mineral Membranes**

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Supporting Information:

| Acidic Solution | Alkaline Solution | Experiment Type | Duration | Max Current (mA) | Max Voltage (V) |
|--|---|-----------------|-----------|------------------|-----------------|
| 0.02 M FeCl ₂ | 0.02 M Na ₂ S | Chemical Garden | 3.5 hours | 0.005 | 0.98 |
| 0.005 M FeCl ₂ + 0.015 M FeCl ₃ | 0.02 M Na ₂ S | Chemical Garden | 3.5 hours | ----- | 0.93 |
| 0.005 M FeCl ₂ + 0.015 M FeCl ₃ | 0.1 M NaOH | Chemical Garden | 3.5 hours | ----- | 0.51 |
| 0.075 M FeCl ₂ + 0.025 M FeCl ₃ | 0.1 M NaOH | Chemical Garden | 3 hours | 0.02 | 0.45 |
| 0.025 M FeCl ₂ + 0.075 M FeCl ₃ | 0.1 M NaOH | Chemical Garden | 3 hours | 0.013 | 0.15 |
| 0.075 M FeCl ₂ + 0.025 M FeCl ₃ | 0.1 M NaOH + 0.05 M Na ₂ S | Chemical Garden | 3 hours | 0.9 | 0.98 |
| 0.025 M FeCl ₂ + 0.075 M FeCl ₃ | 0.1 M NaOH + 0.05 M Na ₂ S | Chemical Garden | 3 hours | 1.4 | 1.07 |
| 0.075 M FeCl ₂ + 0.025 M FeCl ₃ + 0.02 M NaNO ₂ | 0.1 M NaOH + 0.05 M Na ₂ S + 0.02 M CH ₃ OH | Chemical Garden | 3 hours | 1.2 | 1.11 |
| 0.025 M FeCl ₂ + 0.075 M FeCl ₃ + 0.02 M NaNO ₂ | 0.1 M NaOH + 0.05 M Na ₂ S + 0.02 M CH ₃ OH | Chemical Garden | 3.5 hours | 0.7 | 0.99 |
| 0.075 M FeCl ₂ + 0.025 M FeCl ₃ + 0.02 M NaNO ₃ | 0.1 M NaOH + 0.05 M Na ₂ S + 0.02 M CH ₃ OH | Chemical Garden | 3 hours | 0.6 | 0.96 |
| 0.075 M FeCl ₃ + 0.025 M FeCl ₂ + 0.02 M NaNO ₂ | 0.1 M NaOH + 0.05 M Na ₂ S + 0.02 M CH ₃ OH | 3 CG in series | 3.5 hours | 0.7 | 2.4 |
| 0.02 M FeCl ₂ | 0.02 M Na ₂ S | 4 CG in series | 3.5 hours | 0.005 | 1.5 |
| 0.075 M FeCl ₂ + 0.025 M FeCl ₃ | 0.1 M NaOH + 0.05 M Na ₂ S | 4 CG in series | 3 hours | 0.4 | 3.9 |
| 0.025 M FeCl ₂ + 0.075 M FeCl ₃ | 0.1 M NaOH + 0.05 M Na ₂ S | 4 CG in series | 3 hours | 1.1 | 4.3 |
| 0.075 M FeCl ₂ + 0.025 M FeCl ₃ + 0.02 M NaNO ₃ | 0.1 M NaOH + 0.05 M Na ₂ S + 0.02 M CH ₃ OH | 4 CG in series | 3 hours | 0.7 | 3.6 |
| 0.025 M FeCl ₂ + 0.075 M FeCl ₃ + 0.02 M NaNO ₃ | 0.1 M NaOH + 0.05 M Na ₂ S + 0.02 M CH ₃ OH | 4 CG in series | 3.5 hours | 0.8 | 3.5 |
| 0.02 M FeCl ₂ + 0.005 M NaNO ₃ | 0.1 M NaOH + 0.005 M CH ₃ OH | 4 CG in series | 3.5 hours | 0.002 | 0.7 |
| 0.075 M FeCl ₂ + 0.025 M FeCl ₃ + 0.02 M NaNO ₃ | 0.1 M NaOH + 0.02 M CH ₃ OH | 4 CG in series | 3 hours | 0.012 | 1.0 |
| 0.025 M FeCl ₂ + 0.075 M FeCl ₃ + 0.02 M NaNO ₃ | 0.1 M NaOH + 0.02 M CH ₃ OH | 4 CG in series | 3.5 hours | ----- | 1.3 |
| 0.02 M FeCl ₂ | 0.02 M Na ₂ S | Fuel Cell | 68 hours | ----- | 0.67 |
| 0.075 M FeCl ₂ + 0.025 M FeCl ₃ | 0.1 M NaOH | Fuel Cell | 23 hours | ----- | 0.98 |
| 0.075 M FeCl ₂ + 0.025 M FeCl ₃ | 0.1 M NaOH | Fuel Cell | 68 hours | ----- | 0.86 |
| 0.025 M FeCl ₂ + 0.075 M FeCl ₃ | 0.1 M NaOH | Fuel Cell | 68 hours | ----- | 0.77 |
| 0.075 M FeCl ₂ + 0.025 M FeCl ₃ + 0.01 M NaNO ₃ | 0.1 M NaOH + 0.02 M Na ₂ S + 0.01 M CH ₃ OH | Fuel Cell | 68 hours | ----- | 0.69 |
| 0.025 M FeCl ₂ + 0.075 M FeCl ₃ + 0.02 M NaNO ₃ | 0.1 M NaOH + 0.05 M Na ₂ S + 0.02 M CH ₃ OH | 4 FC in series | 3 hours | 1.2 | 4.1 |

Table 1. Chemical Garden (CG) and Fuel Cell (FC) experiments. In chemical garden experiments, the alkaline solution was injected into the acidic solution at 2 mL / hour. In fuel cell experiments, the acidic and alkaline solutions were interfaced across a dialysis membrane. In CG and FC experiments, the potential was measured throughout and the current was measured periodically.

In all experiments, the potential and current decreased gradually as the experiment progressed toward equilibrium, and the maximum values of each are recorded here.

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